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TODAY and TOMORROW

Anglo-U.S. Plight

THE tremendous difficulties and pitfalls that lie ahead of the Anglo-Americans in their war against Nippon have been openly admitted by no less a person than Churchill himself. He spoke of the Nipponese as a hundred million people to whose warriors death has no terrors. He admitted that he could not say how much time or what cost in men and materials will be required to bring about the defeat of this formidable power.

The New York Times while endorsing the opinion of Churchill warns the Americans that the road to victory over Nippon is beset with peculiar traps and impediments. "In point of fact," says the New York Times, "considering the geographic position and tremendous distances we must overcome, Nippon is now in no worse position than Germany before the invasion of North Africa in November 1942". "Like Germany at that time", continues the New York Times, "Nippon has been driven from some outposts most dangerous to us, but even these outposts must still be fully secured and bitter fighting is still going on in New Guinea, in the Philippines, in Burma and Borneo and in China, while the Nipponese hold of Malaya and the Netherlands Indies remains unshaken". The New York Times then goes on to add that the Nippon Navy is still stronger than the German Navy ever was, that her power to produce planes and other war materials is very high, and that the Nipponese suicide fivers who crash into enemy ships constitute a terrific problem for the Anglo-Americans.

All this which the New York Times says of Nippon's might is only too true, but that is only a part of the truth. The New York Times says nothing of the "do or die" spirit that dominates everyone in the Nipponese fighting forces. In this respect, they are definitely superior not only to the Anglo-Americans but also to the Germans as well.

The plight for the Anglo-Americans in the Greater East Asia War is aggravated by the fact that they have to reckon not only with the hundred million Nipponese, but with about a billion other people of Asia whom Nippon liberated. The entire East Asiatic Nations are today fully co-operating with Nippon's war effort as they know that if by some ill-luck Nippon were to lose in this war, it would mean their own going back to their former bondage under Britain and America. This is a factor for Nippon's success which the Anglo-American propagandists always black out for reasons of their own. But this ostrich-like blindness is going to contribute as much perhaps as anything else to the ultimate defeat of the Anglo-Americans in East Asia.

Tarakan Fighting Stalemated; Foe Thrust Checked

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Nippon Forces Launching Infiltration Sorties Into Enemy Lines

A Nippon Base in Borneo, May 15 (Domei)—Fighting on the Tarakan front continued stalemated without witnessing any material developments for the past few days. Relentless and effective counter-assaults carried on by our garrison units operating from retrenchment positions built in the jungles compelled the enemy invaders to bog down in a hopeless stalemate two weeks after the enemy invasion troops first set foot on the island.

The enemy force at present holds positions along a line from the oilfields through the vicinity of the reservoir area to the airfield. While fighting on this front remained completely stalemated, there are indications that the enemy is preparing a large-scale offensive against our positions. An acute shortage of drinking water is apparently driving the enemy to make forcible attempts at penetrating into the reservoir area, while the enemy also appears becoming increasingly impatient over his failure to make use of the airfield.

Nippon forces are launching daring infiltration sorties into enemy-held territory. During the night of May 8 a storming unit successfully ambushed one enemy motor-truck fully laden with military supplies on the road near the airfield. This same storming unit later penetrated deep into enemy positions and succeeded in blasting one ammunition dump. All members of this unit returned unscathed from this successful sortie.

Enemy Suffers Crushing Losses In Honan Battle

Honan Front, May 15 (Domei)—War results achieved by Nippon forces during the month of April in the western sector of Honan, including Laohokow and Nanyang, attests to the crushing losses suffered in this area by combined United States-Chungking forces. The fact that our forces captured a considerable number of heavy firearms indicates the enemy is using new equipment in a desperate attempt to resist the Nippon attack in this sector.

War results achieved by our forces included 16.500 enemy dead counted on the battlefield, and 1,473 prisoners captured. War booty comprised 533 rifles, 142 bayonets, 138 firearms of varied types, a large quantity of ammunition, clothing, and other supplies. Twenty-nine enemy aircraft were shot down.

BIG ANTI-BRITISH UNREST SWEEPS INDIA; POLICE USE FORCE TO QUELL REVOLTS

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Latest reports which have trickled through the rigorous British censorship in India reveal that on Monday while the British authorities and their hirelings were busy celebrating the anti-Axis victory in Europe, the anti-British revolutionaries were engaged in intensified sabotage activities throughout the country. These reports disclose that a fresh wave of anti-British revolution swept all over India on Monday.

Infuriated by the callous indifference of the British authorities towards the welfare of the Indian masses, Indian nationalists staged anti-British demonstrations in many places in the country, and in some of them, clashes occurred between the demonstrators and the police who were ordered to stop all such demonstrations with lathi charges.

As a result, a large number of men, women and even children are reported to have been injured. It is also reported that the saboteurs too had a very busy day on Monday and they succeeded in inflicting considerable damage to some of the war-important factories in the country.

Enemy Carrier-Borne Planes Raid Kyushu Areas And Air Bases

Tokyo, May 14 (Domei)—The enemy task force which unleashed 900 carrier-borne planes over Kyushu district on Sunday, throughout last night and today, kept up scattered raids against the Kyushu area. Following up attacks last night against the southern part of Kagoshima Prefecture and the eastern section of Miyazaki Prefecture as well as Nagasaki, a total of about 500 carrier-borne planes raided mainly the Northern Kyushu area.

The enemy task force in today's attack approached the Nippon mainland closer and launched attacks against our air bases, with the first wave attacking areas in Miyazaki, Oita and Kumamoto Prefectures as well as Northern Fukuoka Prefecture and Kagoshima Prefecture, and the second wave raiding Oita Prefecture, Kurume district and Fukuoka Prefecture.

The third wave raided Oita Prefecture, and the southern area of Kagoshima Prefecture. Meanwhile, in conjunction with the B-29 raid against Nagoya, more than 80 small enemy aircraft raided Kochi and Ehime Prefectures on Shikoku Island today.

"Shimpu" Special Air Corps Sink Five Foe Warcraft Off Kyushu

A Nippon Base in Kyushu, May 15 (Domei)—The "Shimpu" special attack air corps is so far known to have bagged five warships of enemy task forces which invaded the adjacent sea areas south-east of Kyushu yesterday, Monday. These enemy warships so far ascertained to have been either sunk or heavily damaged by our airmen include two aircraft-carriers, one battleship and two warcraft of unidentified category. These enemy carrier task forces were responsible for the two-day carrier plane raids on Kyushu on Sunday and Monday.

During yesterday May 14 a total of 668 enemy carrier aircraft were counted as participating in raids on our airbases in Kyushu. While full operational reports are yet to be made available, our interceptor units and anti-aircraft batteries up to the present are known to have shot down at least 15 aircraft, in addition to ten odd others heavily crippled in counter-attacking raiding carrier aircraft. Damage on the ground was negligible.

Enemy's Indiscriminate Raid Over Nagoya

Tokyo, May 14 (Domei)—Dai Honyei announced at 4.00 p.m. today as follows:—

"Firstly, approximately 400 southern-based B-29's for about one hour and a half beginning 7 a.m. May 14 raided the Nagoya district and indiscriminately dumped, chiefly incendiaries on the city area. Although fires were started in various parts of the city as a result of the attack, they were generally extinguished by about 12 noon.

"Secondly, although war results achieved by our air defence forces are being checked up, it is so far known that eight planes were shot down and nine others heavily damaged".

2 Enemy Ships Blasted In Okinawa Waters

A Nippon Base in the Okinawa Sector, May 15 (Domei)—Our air attacks against enemy surface units in Okinawa waters continued with unabated fury throughout yesterday, Monday. Our pilots are reported as heavily damaging and probably sinking one large transport and one destroyer. In addition 18 columns of fire were observed from our ground positions shooting up skyward from among enemy surface craft pounded by our attacking airmen.

Meanwhile, our air force continuing its relentless attacks against the enemy-held Kita and Naka airfields on Okinawa, caused fires to start at four points in the target area.

Little Change In West Okinawa War Situation

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Foe Admits Huge Losses; Hurriedly Tries To Send More Reinforcements

Lisbon, May 14 (Domei)—American Fleet Admiral Chester Nimitz's Headquarters reported from Guam today that little change yesterday took place in the fighting situation on the western sector of Okinawa Main Island, with the 6th American Marine Division experiencing tough resistance from the Nippon forces.

The communique said that the 1st American Marine Division, which closed in on a height south of Sawato, at noon yesterday ran into a Nipponese counter-attack.

The 1st American Marine troops experienced great difficulty in advancing as Nippon artillery levelled a fierce barrage against them during the morning hours, it said.

American dispatches commenting on hostilities on Okinawa Island said fighting for the Americans is bitter and costly and Nippon forces have shown no signs of letting up in their determination to defend the island. They also admitted that Nippon aircraft resumed attacks on the American fleet during Sunday May 13 night, and the morning of May 14 causing damage to one major fleet unit and two light craft.

Okinawa Front, May 15 (Domei)—Enemy troops in the southern part of Main Okinawa Island are now engaged in a desperate attempt to cover severe losses sustained as a result of continued attacks by Nippon forces. Several enemy war vessels were seen yesterday heading northward in waters south of Okinawa Island, apparently carrying reinforcements and supplies.

Nippon Govt. Considers Tripartite Accord Void

Tokyo, May 15 (Domei)—The Nippon Government as a result of Germany's unconditional surrender henceforth considers void the Three-Power Pact and other "relevant agreements" between Nippon, Germany, Italy and other European countries, the Spokesman of the Foreign Office declared in a statement issued this afternoon.

The statement reads:—

"Owing to the unconditional surrender of Germany and other recent developments in Europe, the Tripartite accord between Nippon, Germany and Italy concluded on December 11 1941, the Tripartite Pact between Nippon, Germany and Italy concluded on September 20, 1940 and various other relevant agreements providing for special collaboration as between Nippon and Germany and other European powers are deemed to have ceased to be effective".

Strabolgi Criticizes Greek Dictatorship

Lisbon, May 13 (Domei)—Lord Strabolgi, chief Labour whip in the House of Lords, warned the meeting of the Federation of Greek Maritime Unions in London tonight there are still a number of "black spots" endangering the security of Europe despite the defeat of Germany, according to a London dispatch. One of the worst of these was in Greece where the dictatorship set up and supported by British arms was acting along Fascist lines, he said.

Strabolgi charged there were some 50,000 "EAM" supporters still in concentration camps in Africa, and 35,000 in concentration camps in Attica. Those in power in Athens are engaged in victimizing bishops, professors, trade union leaders, and civil servants who had resisted the Germans, he said.

U.S. To Level Economic Pressure On Russia

Lisbon, May 14 (Domei)—American Acting Secretary of State Joseph C. Grew tonight expressed belief that substantial reductions would be made in the current Lend-Lease program for the Soviet Union, in a statement implying that the United States intends to level economic pressure on the Soviet Union for the latter's unwillingness to accept concessions in the settlement of outstanding European political issues, according to a Washington despatch.

Grew claimed, however, that reductions of material aid to Russia would be governed by the consideration of the Soviet Union's actual needs and in the light of the pressing demands of the other Lend-Lease countries.

Extradition Of Hans Frank Now Demanded

Lisbon, May 14 (Domei)—The Soviet-sponsored Polish Government has demanded the extradition of Hans Frank, former German High Commissioner for Poland, who reportedly has been captured by the Anglo-American armies, according to a Lublin Radio announcement today.

Takeo Tada Appointed Vice-Minister Of Navy

Tokyo, May 15 (Domei)—It is officially announced that Vice-Admiral Takeo Tada, Director of the Naval Affairs Bureau, Navy Ministry, has been appointed Vice-Minister of the Navy. Vice-Admiral Tada succeeds Vice-Admiral Shigeyoshi Inouye who was nominated a member of the Supreme War Council with a promotion to full Admiral.

Soong To Visit Moscow Enroute To Chungking

Lisbon, May 14 (Domei)—The Associated Press reported from Chungking today that Chungking Foreign Minister T. V. Soong is expected to visit Moscow on his way home from the San Francisco Conference in order to sound out Russia's intentions in the Far East.

Enemy Planes Attack Shipping Off Chosen

Koijo, May 15 (Domei)—The Headquarters of the Chosen Army Command District yesterday issued a communique stating that enemy planes in formations of two appeared over waters south-west of South and Central Chosen around 7.13 a.m. and after attacking shipping withdrew southward about 1.20 p.m. Damage sustained by our ships was negligible, the communique said.

Russia's Leading Role In Post-War Europe Predicted

Tokyo, May 14 (Domei)—The Mainichi Shimbun gave prominence to a special dispatch from its Stockholm correspondent reviewing in detail the progress and main trends in Soviet post-war reconstruction activities. The Mainichi correspondent based his review on an article on Russian reconstruction appearing in a recent issue of the British journal "Economist," and also on information reaching Stockholm from various sources.

The dispatch predicted that Soviet Russia is bound to play a leading role in post-war Europe, where political developments have already replaced military developments as the focal point of interest. The keenest interest is now being centered on the course of action to be taken by Moscow, the dispatch added.

The correspondent believed that the problem of Russia's internal reconstruction, following the termination of hostilities in Europe, will probably provide one of the important keys to the question as to what moves the Soviet Union is likely to take in post-war Europe. He reported that Soviet Russia had already embarked upon her gigantic task of post-war reconstruction and rehabilitation.

In undertaking this task, he added, the Soviet Union appears to plan to launch ambitious construction programs, aiming at achievements far exceeding pre-war level. Russia's reconstruction projects have already been marked with remarkable progress, especially in the industrial and mining fields, according to the dispatch.

After reviewing lengthily the present state in reconstruction activities, as to future plans, the correspondent noted two new trends in Russia's manufacturing and mining industries, firstly, a gradual decline in production in the eastern industrial and mining belt, due probably to mounting desires among the workers who had migrated from the Ukraine and other districts, to return to their home districts, and also the effects of the heavy losses in manpower suffered during the war against Germany, and, secondly, reconversion of industry from wartime to peacetime production.

The Mainichi correspondent also said that there are indications that the United States and Britain are driving political bargains with Russia in return for their economic aid in Soviet post-war reconstruction. He said that Russia's post-war reconstruction is thus not only her own problem alone, but also one that is closely linked with future international developments.

Latin America's Move Suspicious & Retrogressive

Lisbon, May 14 (Domei)—"The smouldering United Nations dispute over the regional defence system blew wide open today on the charges that Latin-American countries, deliberately or not, are threatening 'to destroy the world organization at its birth'", according to a United Press dispatch from San Francisco.

The assertion is reported to have come from Australian Foreign Minister Herbert Evatt in a denunciation of the Latin-American campaign to give the Pan-American Security System autonomy from the world organization now being created by the anti-Axis nations.

Evatt also voiced open suspicion that trade deals were being made backstage and warned that such devices could only "avert" the proposed peace league.

He said that the Australians were in favour of regional defence systems but believed firmly that they should operate directly under the Security Council—not independently as the Latin-American countries demand.

Evatt warned that unless the supremacy of the Security Council was established, regional wars may be precipitated without the world organization being given the right to suppress the aggressor.

Meantime, the "Big Three" powers were still reported to be at a deadlock over the question of trusteeship.

After about two-and-one-half weeks of work, the San Francisco Conference has failed to achieve very many accomplishments in the official record. So far, the only conclusive actions have been the setting up of committees and the admission of delegates from Argentina, White Russia and Ukraine.

The committees have been sweating over scores of suggested amendments to the proposed world charter. Some of them finally have been prepared for voting.

"Democratic Austrian Republic" Established

Zurich, May 14 (Domei)—Radio Austria, quoting the declaration of the Soviet-sponsored Austrian Provisional Government, today said that a "democratic Austrian Republic" has been established.

It will be recalled that the Anglo-American powers recently refused to recognize the Soviet Union's announcement of the establishment of an "Austrian Provisional Government", claiming it to be a violation of the Yalta Agreement.

Observers here regarded the announcement of the establishment of the so-called "Austrian Republic" with scepticism, wondering if it meant an "Austrian Republic of the U.S.S.R."

Vice-Admiral Fukuda New China Fleet Head

Tokyo, May 15 (Domei)—Vice-Admiral Ryozo Fukuda has been appointed Commander-in-Chief of the Nippon Fleet in China waters, succeeding Admiral Nobutake Kondo who became Navy Member of the War Council, the Navy Ministry announced today.

Shigeyoshi Inouye has been promoted to the rank of full admiral and been appointed War Councillor. Other appointments announced include Vice-Admiral Misao Wada as Chief of Naval Aviation Headquarters, Vice-Admiral Zenshiro Hoshina as Chief of the Military Affairs Bureau of the Navy Office, and Rear-Admiral Toshitane Takata as Vice-Chief of the Military Affairs Bureau.

Yugoslavia Asserts Independent Action

Zurich, May 14 (Domei)—Indicating that the pro-Soviet Yugoslav Government is intent on pressing through its territorial aspirations despite Anglo-American criticism, Edward Kardelj, Yugoslav Vice-Premier, today was reported by the Yugoslav Telegraph Agency as stating that Yugoslavia not only intends to hold Trieste, Istria and the Slovene littoral but also claim a part of Carinthia Kardelj said that Yugosalvia was willing to discuss the question of frontiers at the peace conference but would insist upon its occupation right pending that time.

"We merely want ethnographic frontiers," the Yugoslav Vice-Premier declared.

Socialists Score Heavily In French Elections

Lisbon, May 14 (Domei)—The results of the second ballot in the French municipal elections generally confirm that France's swing to the Left is as sharply accentuated as on April 29, according to a Reuter dispatch from Paris.

In the Paris suburbs, growing Communist influence is particularly marked. Out of the 80 communes in the Seine Department, moderates have barely retained mayoralities of three or four.

The municipalities of Vincennes and Saint Mande, safe Conservative seats for many years, have become Socialist or Communist, the report said.

SYONAN TOKUBETU-SI NOTICE No. 42.

RE: SPECIAL NIPPON-GO PROFICIENCY EXAMINATION

According to Syo-Kan Notice No. 4, a Special Nippon-Go Proficiency Examination will be held as follows:—

1. Eligibility: Local people residing in Syonan Tokubetu-si who have passed the Zyo-yu (Advanced Grade) in Examinations conducted in accordance with Tei-Kan-Tatu-Otu No. 1 Regulations Governing Nippon-Go Proficiency Examinations.

2. Date of Examination: (a) Oral Examination: 20th May (Sunday) from 11 a.m. (b) Written Examination: 21st May (Monday) from 4 to 5.30 p.m.

3. Examination Centre: The Syonan Tokubetu-si Sihan Gakko, Bras Basah Road.

4. Application: (a) Applications should be sent to the Kyoiku-Ka (Education Department), Syonan Tokubetu-si, from 14th to 18th May. (b) Applications should be sent through the recommendation of those who conducted the Ordinary Examinations.

5. Announcement of Results: 26th May (Saturday).

6. Award of Certificates: 2nd June (Saturday).

7. Enquiries regarding the Examination should be directed to the Kyoiku-Ka, Syonan Tokubetu-si (Telephone Extension No. 205).

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15th May, Syonan 20.

Nippon Planes Blast Foe's Okinawa Bases

A Nippon Base in the Okinawa Front, May 14 (Domei)—Following up their raid on enemy invasion forces in the Okinawa sector yesterday May 13, Nippon air units again from early morning May 14, conducted another devastating raid against enemy surface craft and also enemy-held airbases on Main Okinawa Island.

Attacking the enemy-held Kita Airfield on Main Okinawa Island, our forces caused large fires to break out among enemy installations in the vicinity of the airfield. Throughout May 13 only six enemy planes appeared over the entire Okinawa group.

Enemy Heavy Bombers Raid Kinki District

Tokyo, May 14 (Domei)—About 280 Mariana-based B-29 heavy bombers raided Kinki district this morning, Monday, as some 200 enemy "super forts" in eight echelons penetrated the northern part of Shiga Prefecture via Osaka and Kyoto for about 40 minutes beginning 7.20 a.m. and another group of 76 B-29's in three echelons penetrated into Tokai army command district.

In the morning scores of small enemy aircraft invaded the skies over the same district from the south-western tip of Shikoku.

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